

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

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**Measures Introduced:** Eight bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1755–1762, and S. Res. 266–267. **Pages S8943–44**

#### Measures Reported:

H.R. 2764, making appropriations for the Department of State, foreign operations, and related programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 110–128)

S. 1642, to extend the authorization of programs under the Higher Education Act of 1965, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 1762, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 602 of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2008 (S. Con. Res. 21).

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#### Measures Passed:

**Minority Appointments for 110th Congress:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 266, making minority party appointments for the 110th Congress. **Page S8964**

**Honoring Tom Lea:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 267, honoring the life of renowned painter and writer Tom Lea on the 100th anniversary of his birth and commending the City of El Paso for recognizing July 2007 as “Tom Lea Month”. **Page S8964**

#### Measures Considered:

**National Defense Authorization Act:** Senate continued consideration of H.R. 1585, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2008 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel, taking action on the following amendment proposed thereto:

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#### Pending:

Nelson (NE) (for Levin) Amendment No. 2011, in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S8890–S8908, S8908–37**

Webb Amendment No. 2012 (to Amendment No. 2011), to specify minimum periods between deployment of units and members of the Armed Forces

for Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom. **Pages S8890–S8908, S8908–37**

Nelson (FL) Amendment No. 2013 (to Amendment No. 2012), to change the enactment date.

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A motion was entered to close further debate on Webb Amendment No. 2012 (to Amendment No. 2011) (listed above), and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, and pursuant to the unanimous-consent agreement of July 9, 2007, a vote on cloture will occur on Wednesday, July 11, 2007. **Page S8918**

A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at approximately 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, July 11, 2007, for debate only with respect to the motion to invoke cloture on Webb Amendment No. 2012 (listed above); that the time until 11:30 a.m. be equally divided and controlled between the Chairman and Ranking Member of the Committee on Armed Services, or their designees; provided further, that the time from 11:10 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. be equally divided between the Majority Leader and the Republican Leader, and the Majority Leader control the final 10 minutes; that at 11:30 a.m. Senate vote on the motion to invoke cloture on Webb Amendment No. 2012; provided further, that Members have until 10:30 a.m. to file any germane second-degree amendments to Webb Amendment No. 2012.

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#### Executive Reports of Committees Received During Adjournment:

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of June 29, 2007, the following executive reports of nominations were submitted on July 3, 2007:

Coast Guard nomination of Jason D. Rimington, 8958, to be Lieutenant.

Coast Guard nomination of Jeffery J. Rasnake, 8595, to be Lieutenant.

(Nominations without an asterisk were reported with the recommendation that they be confirmed.)

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**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 7:26 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, July 11, 2007. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S8964.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### APPROPRIATIONS: TRANSPORTATION AND HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies approved for full Committee consideration an original bill making appropriations for Transportation and Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008.

### APPROPRIATIONS: FINANCIAL SERVICES AND GENERAL GOVERNMENT

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government approved for full Committee consideration an original bill making appropriations for Financial Services and General Government for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008.

### CHEMICAL SAFETY

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* Subcommittee on Transportation Safety, Infrastructure Security, and Water Quality concluded a hearing to examine lessons learned from Chemical Safety Board investigations including Texas City, Texas, after receiving testimony from Carolyn W. Merritt, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, United States Chemical Safety Board; Deborah Dietrich, Director, Office of Emergency Management, Environmental Protection Agency; Timothy R. Gablehouse, Colorado Local Emergency Planning Committee, Denver, on behalf of the National Association of State Title III Program Officials; Kim Nibarger, United Steelworkers, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; Scott Berger, American Institute of Chemical Engineers Center for Chemical Process Safety, New York, New York;

Steve Arendt, ABS Consulting Inc., Knoxville, Tennessee; and Linda Hunnings, Baytown, Texas.

### GULF COAST REBUILDING

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* Ad Hoc Subcommittee on Disaster Recovery concluded a hearing to examine the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), focusing on addressing a prominent obstacle to Gulf Coast rebuilding, after receiving testimony from James Walke, Director, Public Assistance Division, Disaster Assistance Directorate, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security; Bryan McDonald, Mississippi Governor's Office of Recovery and Renewal, Jackson; Perry Smith, Jr., Louisiana Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness, Baton Rouge; Mayor C. Ray Nagin, New Orleans, Louisiana; Kevin C. Davis, Saint Tammany Parish, Covington, Louisiana; Henry Rodriguez, Saint Bernard Parish, Chalmette, Louisiana; and Mark C. Merritt, James Lee Witt Associates, Washington, D.C.

### SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT AT DOD

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia concluded hearings to examine supply chain management at the Department of Defense, focusing on the availability of spare parts and other critical items that affect the readiness and capabilities of the United States military forces, after receiving testimony from P. Jackson Bell, Deputy Under Secretary for Logistics and Material Readiness, General Norton A. Schwartz, Commander, United States Transportation Command, and Lieutenant General Robert T. Dail, Director, Defense Logistics Agency, all of the Department of Defense; and William M. Solis, Director, Defense Capabilities Management, Government Accountability Office.

### PLANNING ACROSS THE GENERATIONS

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine community services and support, focusing on meeting the long-term care needs of seniors and persons with disabilities, including S. 1758, to amend the Public Health Service Act to help individuals with functional impairments and their families pay for services and supports that they need to maximize their functionality and independence and have choices about community participation, education, and employment, and S. 799, to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to provide individuals with disabilities and older Americans with equal access to community-based attendant services and supports, after receiving testimony from Susan M. Daniels, Daniels